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The varieties of bearded Iris we offer have received a thorough testing in our gardens. Our heavy clay soil and strenuous Ohio climate are factors in producing hardy plants that will do well for you. Once planted, they will grow and increase in your garden, becoming more gorgeous each season. Colors cover almost the full range of the rainbow.

For best results you should plant Iris during their dormant or resting period. In this locality, this would be July and August. We start digging about one month after the blooming period, the actual start governed by the weather. As all orders are filled in rotation the earlier orders receive our first attention. Some varieties, including many of the newer ones are in limited supply, and may be sold out early in the season. Plants are never dug while in flower. We believe it is better to wait until the dormant period.

Rhizomes vary in size, depending on the parentage background. We know that by using certain high powered fertilizers, high in nitrogen, we could produce larger rhizomes, but they might also be less firm and be more susceptible to rot. We use bone meal at planting time and one side dressing of an

THE IRIS BORDER

by EVANS IRIS GARDENS — 6690 Wilson Mills Road, Gates Mills, Ohio

Plant A Bit Of Rainbow In Your Garden

Paint A Garden Picture

The beauty and color contrast of established Iris plants in full bloom is amazing. For spectacular effect—mass your color by planting several of one variety together. You can paint lovely landscapes with Iris and at a cost to suit your pocketbook. Once planted, they will grow and increase in your garden, becoming more gorgeous each season.

In laying out your plan, figure on groups of three or six rhizomes of each variety spaced eight to twelve inches apart in the form of triangles. Plant each group as a unit of design with all rhizomes pointing in the same direction to avoid open spaces in the center of your color pattern. By the second year such units will show an abundance of color. Mix your colors well and be sure to have plenty of cream, yellow, pink and light blends to warm up your picture, add a few white, blue, red and brown for desirable contrasts and there you have it. Remember, the ratio of the lighter colors should be about three to one of the darker shades.

No need to buy expensive varieties for this purpose. Many lovely Iris are available for \$2.00 or less, see our "Symposium Repeaters" list of eightytwo varieties, group priced for this purpose—page 3.

Oriental poppies, lupins, peonies, day lilies, veronica and many other perennials may be effectively combined with Iris to provide pleasing variations of form and texture.

Come And See

No tongue or pen can adequately describe the scintillating beauty of the individual Iris blossoms. We try to give you some idea of the colors, form and growth habits in our catalog descriptions, but-that's about all! You have to see them in bloom to fully appreciate their loveliness.

You are most cordially invited to visit our display gardens during the period of bloom. Come and spend as much time as you like. Here we have some well developed sample plant groups of nearly 500 varieties growing in beds so you may "look them over" to your heart's content. Bring your camera if you wish. Probably the peak of bloom period for Tall Bearded Iris will be between May 25th and June 5th this year, that is if our weather permits. There will be some bloom of Dwarf Iris during the last week of April with the Intermediate and Table Iris soon after May 1st.

Evans Iris Gardens are located in Mayfield Village which is about 15 miles east of Cleveland Public Square. From there follow U.S. Route 322 (Mayfield Road) to State Route 91 (SOM Center Road). Go north about 1¼ miles to Wilson Mills Road, then east 150 yards.

As we live some 10 miles from the garden we are not always around, except during the peak blooming period.

organic base 10-6-4 about one month before the blooming period.

You should plant the rhizomes as soon as convenient after arrival. No harm to hold them a few days if you heel them in so they do not dry out too much. Sometimes the outer leaves on the rhizomes are quite dry on arrival. DO NOT remove them as the wound which might develop could allow rot to start. The dry leaves will drop off of their own accord when growth starts.

During blooming time we expect to be there each day from 9 A.M. to 6 P.M. At all other times our schedule is usually for Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, same hours. Our home telephone is listed under Cleveland and is Red-wood 1-2335. Telephone or write and we'll do our best to meet you. You are always welcome.

New Pricing

In other years, we have shown list prices and a series of discounts for quantity, plus a premium of your selection. Now, we are going to combine all the various allowances into a simple schedule which is listed on page two under the heading of "Terms". As you know, we have always believed that the customer should select his own premiums rather than have us do so. The value of such premiums has been included in our new pricing schedule.

Buying Aids

The American Iris Society supplies two dependable aids to help you choose Iris: their awards system and the annual popularity poll.

Awards

Each year the American Iris Society makes awards on outstanding Iris in various classifications. For Tall Bearded Iris, these are Honorable Mention (HM), Award of Merit (AM), and Dykes Medal (DM). For Dwarf Iris-Honorable Mention (HM), and Caparne Award (Cap).

The Dwarf Iris Society also makes its own awards — Award of Special Merit (ASM), Blue Ribbon Award (BR), and Dwarf Iris Society Medal (DISM).

The Dykes Medal, Caparne Award and Dwarf Iris Society Medal are the highest awards in their class and only one such award may be made, each year. Societies in England and France may also award a Dykes Medal.

Only twelve Awards of Merit are made each year. There is no limit to the number of Honorable Mention awards each year except that a variety must receive votes from at least twelve AIS judges to qualify for the award. Popularity Polls

Beginning with the year 1940 the American Iris Society has published an annual Symposium listing the 100 most popular Iris for that year. Each member of the Society (about 5000) is asked to send in a list of the twenty-five Iris they like best. The replies, from all parts of the United States, are tabulated and the 100 receiving the most votes make up the Popularity Poll for that year. You may be certain that those listed are not only popular, they must grow well everywhere. The 1956 Popularity Poll is shown on page 4.

Under the heading "Symposium Repeaters" we offer a number of Iris that have appeared in several "Polls", indicating their continuing popularity. For good Iris at reasonable prices we recommend selections from that list, (page

Choice Iris for 1957

Fantasy Orchid-pink AM

Fire Dance Plicata marked red HM 1.50

3.00

Frances Kent Apricot blend AM.

Apricot Glory Light apricot HM. \$3.00
Apricot Supreme Deep apricot HM 2.00
Argus Pheasant Golden brown DM 1.50
Ballerina Light pink AM 2.00
Blumohr Lavender-blue AM 3.00
Butterfly Wings Porcelain-blue and
parchment heavily veined HM. 1.25
Cahokia Very light blue HM 1.50
Centurion Rich brown HM 2.00
Char-Maize Rich lemon-yellow AM 2.25
Cherie Light flamingo-pink DM 2.00
Cinnamon Toast Cream red-brown
HM 9.00
Cloud Cap Blossom-pink AM 3.00
Copper Medallion Copper HM 2.00
Dolly Varden Deep pink HM 3.00
Dreamy Huge flaring white HM 4.00
Eastermohr Clear ruffled blue 10.00
Ebony Echo Deep carmine AM 2.00
Elizabeth of England Lt. blue HM 1.50
Evensong Purple HM 2.00
Fabulous Kate Ruffled yellow HM 2.00

May We Help You?

Perhaps you would like to have us make a selection for you. If so, tell us something of your problem, such as the size of the space you would like to plant, whether exclusively Iris or as part of a perennial border. Indicate any particular preference of colors, and about how much you wish to spend. We'll submit a list for your approval, or just place your order for an assortment and we will select them.

Flower Arrangers

Their enchanting beauty and graceful form make Iris most desirable for stunning floral arrangements. The flowers, flower stalks, buds and leaves are all useful and effective. The fresh orchid-like blossoms with their wide range of colorings may be used alone or combined with other flowers for in-To impart a teresting compositions. sense of height or ascendency try a full flower stalk with a fat bud at the top with open flowers below. The leaves may be used fresh or they can be dried in various ways and stored for use later on in dried arrangements. As you search for materials for arrangements, be sure to consider Iris.

Garnet Glow Garnet-red HM... 2.50 Gaza Mohr type clay-pink. 2.00 Gold Sovereign Vivid orange AM 1.50 Gypsy Classic Reddish-brown HM 2.00 Happy Birthday Deep pink AM... 3.00 Harlequin Plicata marked brown 1.50 Heart's Desire Brilliant rose-red 2.00 Helen Collingwood Light lavender and bright violet-purple AM. 2.50 Helen Louise Deep salmon-pink 3.00 Helen McKenzie Pure white HM 3.00 Heritage Deep flamingo-pink AM 1.50 Honor Bright Yellow and gold HM 1.50 Joseph's Mantle Golden-buff washed and striated red-brown 2.00 Lady Albright Copper-gold blend 3.00 Lilac Lane Pink toned lilac AM 1.50 Madam Mohr Powder-blue onco 2.00 Mattie Gates Lemon-gold pli. AM 1.50 Maytime Pink and deep rose AM. 3.00 Melody Lane Golden apricot AM 1.50 Memories Carrot-red HM 12.50 Memphis Belle Orchid-pink HM 7.50 Moab Deep brown shades. 2.50 Mohr Elegance Pale amethyst 2.50 Mohresque Light brown and buff. 1.50 Mystic Melody Cream and yellow AM 2.00 Northwestern Royal purple AM. 5.00 Orchid and Flame Orchid self. 4.00 Pagan Royal Rich red-violet HM 3.00 Palomino Cream and buff-pink HM 5.00 Paradise Pink Fragrant pink AM. 1.25 Party Dress Ruffled pink AM 2.00 Pierre Menard Ruffled blue AM 1.50 Pinafore Lass Ruffled purple HM 3.00 Pink Bountiful Orchid-pink HM 1.50 Pink Formal Deep aslmon-pink AM 1.50 Pink Plume Deep orchid-pink AM 1.50 Pink Sensation Deep pink AM 1.50 Pinnacle White and yellow AM . . 1.50 Port Wine Red-purple plicata AM 3.00 Pretty Quadroon Copper-brown AM2.00 Purissamohr Pure white once HM 4.00 Queen's Taste Lavender-pink and rosy-red AM 5.00 Radiation Bright orchid-pink AM 2.00 Raspberry Ribbon White plicata with purple stitching AM... Relentless Solid deep red HM 2.50 1.50 Rich Raiment Stippled red-brown 1.50 Rose Splendor Coppery-rose HM 1.50 Ruffled Bouquet Cream bicolor HM 2.00 Snosheen Large white HM 4.00 Spanish Fandango Gold and red HM 2.00 Starshine Deep cream-white AM 2.00 Summit White and golden-yellow 2.00 Sunset Blaze Gold salmon blend AM 1.50 The Knockout Ruffled yellow 2.00 The Penguin White and brown pli. 1.50 Thotmes III Golden-tan AM. 3.00 Tosca Ruffled lavender-blue HM. 1.50 Tranquility Milk-white AM. 1.50 Truly Yours Yellow and white DM 4.00 Weirdie Fancy blend buff and rose 1.50 White Ruffles Ruffled white HM. 2.50

Terms Of Sale And Special Allowances

Cash with order — check, draft or money order. No. C.O.D. Postage paid on orders of \$4.00 or more. On orders less than \$4.00 please add 50c for packing, etc. ORDER EARLY, some of the newer ones are in short supply.

ALLOWANCE SCHEDULE On orders \$ 4.00 to \$14.99 you may select 25% more Iris On orders \$15.00 to \$29.99 you may select 50% more Iris On orders \$30.00 to \$49.99 you may select 65% more Iris On orders \$50.00 or more you may select 75% more Iris

NOTE: Instead of including bonus extras (of our selection) these allowances were increased to cover that cost. You get only those varieties you choose, and at better prices than before.

These allowances will not apply to groups specially priced.

Prices named herein supercede all previous quotations.
Shipping will begin early in July with orders handled in order of receipt.
Cultural directions included with each shipment.

We will not substitute unless you request. If unable to supply a variety your money will be refunded.

Our business is entirely mail-order, we do not sell from the field. Ohio residents only please add 3% sales tax.

We comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding disease, insect and plant control.

Other Good Iris

Many fine tall bearded Iris are priced at one dollar or less. For your convenience we have arranged them in price groups. Here is your chance to get fine Iris at very low prices, as purchases from these groups may be included with others for quantity prices—see "Terms". Listing starts on page 3.

There's Something Special About These

Symposium Repeaters

Every one of these beautiful Iris have won a place in eight or more annual Popularity Polls of the American Iris Society. All eighty-two varieties have stood the test of time and are popular everywhere. Of these, Amigo, China Maid, Great Lakes, Prairie Sunset, Sable and Wabash have placed in all seventeen "Polls". A selection from this list will please you. They are listed in color groups for your convenience.

An Extra Special Price

Select a total value of \$4.00 or more, then select 75% more in value, free. For \$4.00 you get \$7.00 worth; for \$10.00 you get \$17.50 worth; etc. Minimum order from this group \$4.00. NO FURTHER ALLOWANCES.

WHITE	BLUE	CREAM - LIGHT	ORANGE - DARK
Gudrun DM \$.60	Azure Skies AM60	YELLOW	YELLOW
Katherine Fay AM .75	Bandmaster HM60	Amandine AM 1.00	Berkeley Gold AM .60
Lady Boscawen AM .75	Black Forest AM . 1.00	Desert Song AM 1.00	Cloth of Gold AM .75
Matterhorn AM60	Blue Rhythm DM75	Elsa Sass AM	Golden Majesty AM .60
New Snow AM 1.00	Blue Valley AM75	Fair Elaine AM60	Ola Kala DM
Snow Carnival AM .75	Chivalry DM 1.00	Golden Fleece AM .60	Rocket AM
Snow Flurry AM	Cloud Castle AM 1.00	Golden Treasure AM .60	Spun Gold DM
Spanish Peaks AM 1.00	Distance AM 1.00	Ming Yellow AM60	
	Gloriole AM	Moonlight Madonna	PURPLE - VIOLET
PINK	Helen McGregor DM 1.00	AM	Amigo AM60
Cherie DM 2.00	Missouri DM60	Treasure Island AM .60	Deep Velvet AM60
Pink Cameo AM 1.00	Shining Waters AM .60	RED - MAROON	Elmohr DM 1.00
	Sierra Blue DM60	Christabel AM60	Indiana Night AM75
ORCHID PINK	Sylvia Murray AM 1.00	Garden Glory AM . 1.00	Master Charles AM .60
	The Admiral AM60	Junaluska AM60	Sable AM
Chantilly AM 1.00		Ranger AM 1.00	Vatican Purple HM .75
Dreamcastle AM 1.00	TAN-BROWN	Red Valor AM60	Violet Symphony AM .75
Mulberry Rose AM .75	Bryce Canyon AM75	Solid Mahogany AM 1.00	
	Casa Morena AM 1.00	The Red Douglas DM .75	PLICATA - YELLOW
LILAC-LAVENDER	Chamois AM 1.00		GROUND
Lady Mohr AM 1.00	Old Parchment AM .60	PLICATA - WHITE	
Lynn Langford AM 1.00	Tobacco Road AM . 1.00	GROUND	Firecracker HM . 1.00
Ormohr AM	BLEND - TAN, COPPER	Blue Shimmer AM .75	Tiffanja AM60
		Los Angeles AM	Tiffany AM
AMOENA	Cascade Splendor AM	Minnie Colquitt AM .75	China Maid AM
Extravaganza AM. 1.00	Grand Canyon AM .60	VARIEGATA	Daybreak AM
Wabash DM	Prairie Sunset DM .75	City of Lincoln AM .60	Three Oaks AM
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Iris in this group \$1.00 each. Three of one variety for \$2.50

And Thou, Askalon, Ballet Dancer, Bay State, Bellerive, Black Forest, Blue Elegance, Blue Ensign, Bronze Brocade, Capitola, Carousel, Casa MMorena, Cascade Splendor, Chamois, Chantilly, Chivalry, Cloud Castle, Danube Wave, Desert Song, Distance, Dreamcastle, Dreamland, Esquire, Extravaganza, Fairy Foam, Far Hills, Firecracker, Garden Glory, Golden Ruffles, Golden Russet, Golden Symphony, Gold Sovereign, Heighho, Helen McGregor, Hi-Time, Illusion, Jane Phillips, King's Jester, Laurel Hill, Lynn Langford, Mariposa Mia, Masked Ball, Mt. Ararat, New Snow, Pink Cameo, Prospector, Rainbow Room, Ranger, Russet Wings, Ruth, San Antone, Sarah Lee Shields, Sharon Kay, Sky Ranger, Solid Mahogany, Spanish Peaks, Staten Island, Sylvia Murray, Twilight Sky, Zantha.

Iris in this group 75 each. Three of one variety for \$1.85

Admiral Nimitz, Afar, Aladdin's Wish, Alba Superba, Aldura, Alpine Glow, Altamohr, Amity, Arab Chief, Azalea, Aztec Copper, Barrimohr, Black Banner, Blue Frills, Blue Glow, Blue Rhythm, Blue Shimmer, Blue Valley, Bonney, Bright Lights, Bryce Canyon, Caroline Burr, China Maid, Chi-Yun, Cloth of Gold, Confetti, Cool Lemonade, Cordovan, Daybreak, Display, Easter Bonnet, El Paso, Flurry Mohr, Gallant Leader, Good News, Grace Mohr, Great Lakes, Hit Parade, Indiana Night, Inspiration, Juliet, Katherine Fay, Lady Boscawen, Lamplight, Lavender & Gold Lace, Lights On, Lothario, Marathon, Mary Vernon, Mellowglow, Mexico, Minnie Colquitt, Misty Gold, Moonlight Madonna, Mt. Kinley, Mulberry Rose, Ola Kala, Orangeman, Orelio, Painted Desert, Pepper, Pink Reflection, Prairie Sunset, Redward, Remembrance, Rocket, Rose Top, Royal Scot, Rubient, Sable, Sharkskin, Sheriffa, Snow Carnival, Snow Flurry, Snow Velvet, Sonrisa, Spindrift, Spun Gold, Storm King, Suzette, The Capitol, The Red Douglas, Three Oaks, Three Sisters, Vatican Purple, Winter Carnival, Zebra.

Iris in this group 60c each. Three of a variety \$1.50

Action Front, Alice Harding, Amigo, Anna Williamson, Arctic, Azure Skies, Balmung, Bandmaster, Berkeley Gold, Bermuda Sand, Brown Thrasher, Buechley Giant, California Gold, California Peach, Captain Wells, Cardinal, Christabel, City of Lincoln, Copper Lustre, Damascus, Deep Velvet, Destiny, Directeur Pinelle, Dymia, Easter Morn, Elsa Sass, Fair Elaine, Flora Zenor, Fortune, Frank Adams, Frieda Mohr, Garden Flame, Geo. P. Baker, Gloriole, Goldbeater, Golden Eagle, Golden Fleece, Golden Majesty, Golden Treasure, Good Cheer, Grand Canyon, Gudrun, Gypsy, Harriet Thoreau, Icy Blue, Indian Hills, Jasmine, Jean Cayeux, Junaluska, Lake George, Lake Huron, Lighthouse, Lord Dongas, Los Angeles, Louvois, Majenica, Master Charles, Matterhorn, Melanie, Melitza, Midwest Gem, Ming Yellow, Miss California, Missouri, Mohrson, Morning Splendor, Morocco Rose, Mount Washington, Nightfall, Old Parchment, Oregon Trail, Ormaco, Ormohr, Patrice, Peachblow, Priscilla,, Purissima, Radiant, Red Gleam, Red Torch, Red Valor, Rosy Wings, Ruth Pollack, San Francisco, Shining Waters, Sierra Blue, Snoqualmie, Snowking, Tea Rose, The Admiral, Three Cheers, Tiffanja, Tiffany, Tournament, Treasure Island, Vice Regal, Violet Crown, Wabash, White Wedgewood.

Iris in this group 40c each. Three of one variety \$1.00

Airy Dream, Alta California, Ambassadeur, Ambrosia, Black Wings, Buckskin, Buffawn, Burning Bronze, Camiliard, Coralie, Coronation, Damozell, Dauntless, Depute Nomblot, Dogrose, Dr. Chas. E. Mayo, El Capitan, Eros, Gleam, Grace Sturtevant, Indian Chief, Jane Williamson, Jeb Stuart, King Tut, Madam L. Aureau, Magenta, Mary Geddes, Mary Senni, Michaelangelo, Modiste, Mrs. J. L. Gibson, Mrs. Valerie West, Naranja, Nene, Orloff, Pale Moonlight, Paulette, Picador, Pink Satin, Pluie D'Or, Pres. Pilkington, Rameses, Rebellion, Red Dominion, Rheintochter, Sensation, Shah Jehan, Siegfried, Stained Glass, The Black Douglas, Theodolinda, True Charm, True Delight, Valor, Venus de Milo, Vesper Gold, Vision, Waconda, War Eagle, Winnieshiek, Wonderchild.

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